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Sir:

Attached please find our PCT application, ready for examination before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Enclosed are the following documents:

- (1) copy of the International Application as filed;
- (2) substitute specification;
- (3) International Search Report and cited references;
- (4) IPER.

Please examine the substitute specification rather than the originally filed application. No new matter has been added to the substitute specification.

The amended claims are being submitted to correct multiple dependent claims for better U.S. practice and examination and also to reduce fees.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all claims of the application are in condition for allowance and favorable action thereon is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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